

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Beverly Tercho,	)	Civil Action No. 05-176E
Executrix of the Estate of	)	FTCA Action
John Tercho,	)	
Plaintiff	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
United States of America,	)	
Defendant	)	

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

I, David L. Hunter, Esquire, certify that:

☒ An appropriate licensed professional has supplied a written statement to the undersigned that there is a basis to conclude that the care, skill or knowledge exercised or exhibited by this Defendant in the treatment, practice or work that is the subject of the complaint, fell outside acceptable professional standards and that such conduct was a cause in bringing about the harm.

Date: November 14, 2005

s/ David L. Hunter, Esquire  
Attorney for Plaintiff

cc: All counsel of record.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, David L. Hunter, Esq., hereby certify that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005, I served a true copy of the foregoing Certificate of Merit Pursuant to F.R. Civ. P. 26(f), upon the person and in the manner indicated below:

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